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DURING MEETING WITH CHARGE DEC 1, STUART AUERBACH OF WASHINGTON POST SAID THAT HE HAD RECENTLY BEEN PRESENT AT RELEASE OF PRISONERS ORGANIZED BY ICRC LEBANON AT WHICH 14 PHALANGISTS HAD BEEN EXCHANGED FOR 20 PALESTINIANS (INCLUDING THREE IRAQIS). AUERBACH SAID THAT ONE OF THE NEGOTIATORS ON THE PALESTINIAN SIDE WAS AN AMERICAN WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF ONLY AS "ABU MURAH." ACCORDING TO AUERBACH, ABU MURAH SAID THAT HE WAS WITH THE PFLP, AND HIS LAST RESIDENCE IN THE UNITED STATES WAS WASHINGTON, D.C., WHERE HE MAY HAVE ATTENDED GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY. ABU MURAH IS REPORTEDLY ABOUT 30 YEARS OLD, A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON AND WAS MARRIED TO A TEXAS WOMAN.
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